

Woman Drowns As Auto Plunges Off Ferryboat

Fire Lieutenant Driving
When Car Goes Through
Gates With Loss of Wife;
All Others Are Rescued

Mother Saves 2 Children

Boy and Girl Pushed Out of Windows Reach Top; Cause of Mishap Unknown

During the seventeen years that Lieutenant Richard Mangels has been a member of the New York Fire Department he has driven all sorts of fire trucks, and his skill and coolness as a driver have been demonstrated on many occasions. But yesterday afternoon, on a Brooklyn ferryboat at St. George, S. I., a light, five-passenger sedan in some unaccountable manner became unmanageable in his hands, and plunged from the boat into the bay.

His wife, Adelaide, his two children and another fireman were in the car with him as it dropped thirty feet to the bottom of the bay. Mrs. Mangels was drowned, sacrificing her life to save her children. Mangels, the two children, Dorothy, eleven years old, and Richard, fourteen, and Fireman Daniel W. Mortimer were rescued by deckhands.

The ferryboat from which the car fell into the water was the John Ingels. The Mangels and Mortimer were returning from Oakwood Beach, Staten Island, to the Mangels' home at 498 Seventh Street, Brooklyn. The ferryboat was to take them to Sixty-ninth Street, Brooklyn. The Mangels' car was the first to be driven onto the boat. Mortimer sat beside Mangels and Mrs. Mangels was with Richard and Dorothy on the rear seat. Mrs. Mangels had bundles in her arms.

Car Shoots Through Gates
Lieutenant Mangels stopped his car near the bow, shut off the power and put on the brakes. Its occupants remained in their seats. A short time later a deck hand, it is said, told the lieutenant to pull ahead to make room for other cars. Mangels did so, but the car shot forward, smashed a small dock chain (a larger chain was not in use at the time), pushed aside the flimsy gates and plunged into the water.

The car apparently struck the bottom in an upright position. Water roared through the open windows and its occupants, trapped thirty feet below the surface, began struggling to get out—all except Mrs. Mangels. She first pushed Dorothy out, and then Richard, and found that she herself had remained too long. It is believed that the bundles that she had been carrying handicapped her to some extent. When the car was lifted from the water an hour after the accident her body was found hanging from a window.

Lieutenant Mangels was so shocked that when he was helped to the dock he tried to jump back into the water. He lost his fire badge, cap and book of rules. Some money which had been pinned to the clothing of Mrs. Mangels was found to be missing.

Fireman Mortimer later talked of the accident, but Lieutenant Mangels was so prostrated he could not tell his story. He is attached to Company 243, at Eighteenth Avenue and Eighty-sixth Street, Brooklyn.

Mortimer Can't Explain
"I don't know how it all happened," said Mortimer, an occupant of the automobile at his home, 339 Eightieth Street, Brooklyn, last night. "It came too swiftly. All I remember is that the attendant ordered Mangels to move to the center of the ferry, in the middle of three lines of automobiles. The next thing I knew the car crashed through the gates. The windows were partly open. As the car settled, the water washed in."

"I guess we went down about thirty feet. I dived through an open window and got out. All the others, as far as I know, did the same, except Mrs. Mangels, whose lap was filled with bundles. Besides, we could all swim, and she couldn't."

"When I got out the water was dark. I couldn't see the car again. I rose to the surface and I saw Lieutenant Mangels and his two children also up and gasping for air."

"They lowered a boat from the ferry and we put the children in first and then climbed in ourselves."

Richard Mangels is a student at Manual Training High School, Brooklyn, and Dorothy, his sister, attends Public School 39, at Sixth Avenue and Eighth Street, Brooklyn.

Still Within Sing Sing Walls Raided and Convicts Arrested

Attendant Also Caught in Net When Hooch Mill Is Found; Prunes and Potatoes Are Basis of Prison Boozie; May Be Cut Out of Menu

A liquor raid in Sing Sing prison yesterday resulted in the arrest of three prisoners and an attendant and the confiscation of a mysterious copper apparatus which is thought to have been used as a still. Convinced that prunes and potatoes were the basis of a liquor traffic, Warden Lawes took under advisement the elimination of these items from the prison fare. He expressed regret at the possible necessity of altering the menu, pointing out that when the price per meal is once reduced to 6 cents it is hardly expedient to make a change.

Head Keeper Thomas McInerney is back of the movement to make Sing Sing a cleaner and a better place. His sympathies are said to have been aroused by the sight of Ben Conway so tipsy a few weeks ago that he couldn't keep his condition to himself and had to sing at the top of his lungs and inform the whole place that he felt good. The uplift movement started at once, but it was not until yesterday that the still was found in a little room near the shoe shop.

McInerney's sympathies were still active yesterday, and the suspected

keeper, who was charged with alcoholism outside the walls, got off by signing the pledge when he explained that he became addicted to rum taking bracers to pull him through the ordeal of watching executions. McInerney was even disposed to listen to the argument advanced in behalf of the other prisoners that they thought making home brew in the prison was within their constitutional rights, inasmuch as it was certain that their product could be used for home consumption only.

The head keeper intends to have bootlegging within the walls stopped, however, and expects to make that point clear when William Tammany and John McGuire are taken from the solitary cells in which they were locked up after the raid and brought up for trial to-morrow. The latter works in the room in which the mysterious apparatus was found, and both are said to be among the most hardened criminals in the prison. McInerney says that is all the more reason for making sure that they are brought into the reform movement. The third prisoner, J. H. Nolan, was released and sent back to his cell for lack of evidence.

he had made a mistake in not asking for more, so he took another shot at the scheme and sent for \$800 more, assuring Signora Spagarelli that he had definite assurance that this would procure his release and enable him to return to his home once more, never to venture forth to the land of inhospitable strangers.

Fortunately for Peter, he suddenly bethought himself of his mother about that time and wrote her a glowing account of how well he was getting along. It took Signora Spagarelli a week to recover from the shock, but when she did figure out what was going on she acted with speed and precision. Peter turned the case over to the postoffice inspectors and the Dutchess County authorities as soon as he got her letter.

Grasse was arraigned before a United States commissioner yesterday and released under \$1,000 bond for a hearing to-morrow.

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In Death House, Said Fake Letter In \$250 Swindle

Italian Accuses Neighbor of Writing Home Under His Name and Getting Funds to Bribe Way to Liberty

About the worst thing that is said about Peter Spagarelli, of Stoneco, Dutchess County, is that he does not write as often as he might to his sister Annay, who lives in Italy. Somebody else wrote for him, however, and got \$250 for his pains. Peter is mad clear through, and yesterday he had a neighbor named Anton Grasse locked up by the Federal authorities charged with using the mails in a scheme to defraud.

Peter is mad not only because some one did his sister out of the money, but because the letters which went out over his forged signature declared that he was in the death house at Sing Sing and needed the funds to buy an official to let him out. They told a pitiful tale of his hard luck trying to make his way 4,000 miles from home. Peter has done fairly well for himself in this country and resents the implication that he is a murderer.

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